

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/789,914  
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Applicant: Hosomi et al.  
Group Art Unit: 1774  
Examiner: Merrick Dixon  
Title: Resin Composition, Prepeg, Laminate and  
Semiconductor Package  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2006, the Examiner has requested restriction to one of the below listed groups under 35 U.S.C. §121.

**Group I** - Claims 1-12, drawn to resin composition;

**Group II** - Claims 13-19, drawn to a prepreg impregnation with a resin.

The Examiner contends the inventions of Group I and II are distinct and separate from each other because Group I relates to a resin while Group II teaches a prepreg impregnation with a resin.

While the Examiner's point is well taken, Applicant respectfully submits that since both Groups require resin applications, the inventions of Group I and Group II should remain in the present application. Group I and II are sufficiently related as to not create an undue burden for the Examiner.

In the event that the Examiner maintains the requested restriction, Applicant elects **Group I, claims 1-12**, with traverse, for purposes of examination. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the subject matter of Group II, claims 13-19, by way of divisional and/or continuing application(s) without prejudice.

Respectfully submitted,

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